

SOCIETY

It is a good thing that the world inclines to comedy, and that Halloween is becoming, year by year, more of a universal holiday in its celebration. October 31st is really, as every one knows, the eve or vigil of All Hallows or All Saints, a festival instituted by the Pope in the year 610, and changed in the date of its observance during 334 from May 13th to November 1st. The present leading idea respecting Halloween is that it is a time for the prevalence of supernatural influences. Spirits, both of the visible and invisible world, are supposed to walk abroad on this night, and humanity is supposed to be endowed with the power to detach itself from the flesh and to wander in immaterial form through realms of space.

With the ancient Druids Halloween was one of the principal festivals of the year. Immense fires, erected on stone altars in honor of their sun god, were extinguished on Halloween, and the Druid priests, clad in white robes, kindled new ones. The custom of lighting fires in every village on Halloween was long kept up in old England. When the fires had burned out the carefully collected ashes were placed in the form of circles, with a stone near the circumference for every person in the several families interested. If a stone was moved out of its place or injured before the next morning, the person indicated by the stone was supposed to be doomed to death within the year.

In the province of Moray the celebration of Halloween embodied the harvest home idea, and on the Isle of Lewis a sacrifice was made to a sea god called Shony to invoke his blessing upon the next season's crops. The islanders came to the little Church of Saint Mulvey, each man bearing his quota of provisions, and every family furnishing a peck of malt to be brewed into ale. One man chosen out of the whole number waded out into the sea, holding a mighty cup filled with ale in his hand, and, standing, cried aloud: "Shony, I give you this cup of ale, hoping you will be so kind as to send us plenty of sea ware for enriching our ground the coming year." He then threw the ale into the sea, returned to the land, and, with his comrades, proceeded to the church, where a single candle burned upon the altar. At a given signal the candle was blown out, and all went from the church to the fields, where feasting and merriment were kept up for the remainder of the night.

Nuts have been so intimately associated with the more modern idea of Halloween that it has sometimes been called "Nut Crack Night," and one of the tests of the force, a custom universal in all old-time Halloween celebrations, was the burning of nuts, which were named upon a long-handled shovel in the fire. As they burned brightly, burned black, or burst with a loud report, prosperity, misfortune or early death was foreshadowed.

Burns says that the passion of prying into futurity forms a striking part of the history of human nature. So it is that while many of the ancient Halloween rites have been discontinued, the pretty spells which the modern woman weaves, the throwing of the apple parring, the midnight peep into the mirror and the hundred and one other observances, forming a bridge to span the wide past between "the now" and "the then," will be put afresh into practice on October 31st for the pleasure of many lads and lassies participating in the thrilling invocations of the festival.

Miss O'Ferrall's Engagement.
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Triplett O'Ferrall announce the engagement of their daughter, Helen Walton O'Ferrall, to Mr. John Taylor Thompson, of Farmville, Va., the wedding to take place quietly on Tuesday, December 1st, in the home of the bride, No. 1630 Park Avenue, this city.

Miss O'Ferrall is the daughter of the late Charles T. O'Ferrall, former Governor of Virginia, and the State representative for many years in Congress.

The bride-elect has lived in Richmond since she came to the Executive Mansion from Harrisonburg, as a child. She was introduced to Richmond society several years ago, was very popular in her first season, and has continued to be so since. Mr. Thompson has many friends in Richmond, and is as well known and liked here as in Farmville. The announcement carries

much interest here and throughout Virginia.

At Woman's Club.

"An Hour With Edward Alexander McDowell" is the title of what promises to be an unusually attractive entertainment at the Woman's Club tomorrow afternoon at half-past 4. A sketch of the life and works of the great American composer and pianist will be read by Mrs. C. C. Walker. It will be interspersed by selections from his vocal and instrumental compositions, which will be rendered by Mrs. Pattee, soprano, and Miss Zelle Minor, pianist. Mrs. Pattee has a delightful voice, and is always heard with pleasure. Miss Minor's skill as a pianist and her fine and sympathetic touch as an accompanist will render the musical as well as the literary part of the program specially enjoyable.

Hostesses of the afternoon will be Mrs. Preston Locke, Mrs. John Upshur, Mrs. Moses Hoge and Miss Margaret Stringfellow.

King's Daughters' Convention.
The fourteenth annual convention of the Virginia branch of the International Order of King's Daughters and Sons will be held in the Second Presbyterian Church, Petersburg, October 27th, 28th and 29th.

The opening session will be at 11 o'clock on Tuesday morning. The address of welcome will be by Miss Daisy Wilson, of Petersburg, and the response by Miss Katherine Edwards, of Richmond.

Tuesday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock a reception will be given in the home of Mrs. J. A. Seward. At 8 P. M. Mrs. John T. Mason, of Baltimore, and Mrs. M. H. S. Burghwyn, of North Carolina, members of the Central Council, will address the convention. Wednesday and Thursday regular business sessions will be held. Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock Miss Alice B. Garrett, of Philadelphia, will make the address. Thursday evening the consecration service will be held.

Bible readings will be held each day at 12:30.

Election of Officers.
St. John's Circle of King's Daughters held their regular meeting with Mrs. C. W. Masie on Monday afternoon. The following officers were re-elected: Leader, Mrs. Ramon D. Garcin; Vice-Leader, Mrs. Lucy F. Murray; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Dudley P. Edwards; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. William A. Burrows; Treasurer, Mrs. William Mayer; Assistant Treasurer, Mrs. William Crump.

Delegates were elected to the convention in Petersburg as follows: Mrs. H. M. Barbour, Mrs. J. Carter, Mrs. Julien F. Green, Mrs. C. J. Billups, Mrs. Ramon D. Garcin and Mrs. William A. Cheatwood.

Alternates are Mrs. Dudley P. Edwards, Mrs. Lucy F. Murray, Mrs. Arthur Mann, Mrs. W. J. Parrish, Mrs. C. W. Masie and Mrs. Oscar E. Grover.

Edenton Tea Party Tablet.
One of the most delightful celebrations by patriotically inclined society women was held yesterday at 11 A. M. in the capitol at Raleigh, N. C., by the North Carolina Society of the Daughters of the Revolution, when the members of the society dedicated and unveiled a tablet to the memory of the fifty-one signers of the "Edenton Tea Party Resolves."

The Edenton Tea Party ante-dated the Boston Tea Party by one year, a fact of which the North Carolinians are very proud. Miss Gracie Heck, a niece of Mrs. J. Allison Hoke, of this city, and a descendant of one of the patriot signers, left with her aunt, Mrs. Hodges, Friday for Raleigh to be one of the number to unveil the tablet. After the ceremonies in the morning there was a reception at the Yarrowborough Hotel, Raleigh, from 4 to 6 P. M. Mrs. Hodges being a member of the reception committee.

The occasion was a brilliant social as well as patriotic affair, and was largely attended by members of the Colonial Dames and Sons of the Revolution and of the Society of the Cincinnati.

The founder of the North Carolina Society, Daughters of the Revolution, and the regent until 1902, was Mrs. Spier Whitaker. The society was organized in the year 1896. Mrs. Thomas K. Bruner was its second and Mrs. E. E. Moffitt is its present regent. Other officers include Mrs. Walter Clark, vice-regent; Mrs. Spier Whitaker, honorary regent; Mrs. Leigh Skinner, recording secretary; Mrs. V. H. Pace, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Frank Sherwood, treasurer; Miss Mary Hilliard Hinton, registrar, and Mrs. Helen de Berniere Wills, genealogist.

Society's Practical End.
Society is to have a cooking school in the armory at Seventh and Marshall Streets every day, at 12 o'clock, from the 2d to the 14th of November, and all the society dames and girls are going to be taught how to concoct



MISS MARJORIE KNOWLES.
Miss Knowles, who is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Knowles, in Richmond, has achieved a brilliant career as a vocalist, and will hereafter appear in Wolfson's concert troupe with the foremost singers of America and the world.

Miss Knowles studied abroad for several years, but for some time has been in New York, and bids fair to reach the topmost rounds as a singer.

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Unlimited assortments; never have we had so many, never such beautiful styles, and never such good values. Materials of all sorts are used, from the most inexpensive cotton to the most beautiful imported silks. Most of the models are of nice quality French and German flannels. Prices from \$1.25 up to \$30.00.

New, Pretty Hair Ornaments

With the present ways of dressing the hair, ornaments of all kinds are fashionable and quite indispensable. We are showing the largest selection of styles in Richmond, and are constantly offering new ideas in ornaments for the hair. Barrettes, of course, are taking the lead. We offer:

18 styles of Barrettes, in shell and amber, at \$2.50.
12 styles of Barrettes, in shell and amber, at 50c.
6 styles of Barrettes, shell and amber, at 95c.
Various novelty styles, prices range from \$1.00 to \$5.00.

Lace and Silk Waists

There are hundreds of styles for choice, so that every taste may be suited. All the Waists have long sleeves; but should you prefer short sleeves, we have them also. The slightest study of garments at every price will reveal values much above the ordinary.

Tailored Waists of mesaline, in all colors, very fine tucked front and back, long sleeves, worth \$7.50; special to-morrow... \$5.00
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Pique Gloves, one clasp, in black, white, red, tan and brown, Paris point in white and self-stitching; per pair \$1.00
Walking Gloves, full outseam Imported Cape Gloves, made in the fashionable one-clasp style, in the correct shades of tan for street wear. Equally good Gloves are not to be had elsewhere for less than \$1.25; special \$1.00
Ladies' 12-button Glove Gloves of soft French kid, in black, white, garnet, tans and browns; per pair \$2.50

dainty dishes by Mrs. W. A. Johnson, of Paris, Ky.

Richmond women actively interested in this practical fad are Mrs. A. Boine Blair, Mrs. Charles Saville, Mrs. E. Cary Nelson and Mrs. Charles Ferrell, from Woman's Christian Association; Mrs. Hampton Fleming, Mrs. Robert Lecky, Mrs. George W. Kolner and Mrs. H. Stuart MacLean, of the Church of the Covenant.

Arts and Crafts Exhibit.

Combining beauty with utility, an arts and crafts exhibit, to be held for one month, beginning November 23d, at No. 201 East Franklin Street, is arousing much interest. The exhibit will be conducted by Mrs. R. M. Blank-

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Strictly Tailored Suit of striped suiting; coat Empire back, trimmed with buttons; skirt is a modified sheath model; colors, green, blue, tawba; specially priced. \$22.50
Suit of fine all-wool serge; coat strictly tailor-made, lined throughout with good quality satin; plaited skirt, sold above hem; comes in brown, green and blue; regular \$25.00; special to-morrow. \$17.50
A Very Stylish Three-piece Misses' Suit, in blue, black, green and brown stripes; semi-fitted double-breasted coat, trimmed with buttons; skirt, sold above hem; comes in brown, green and blue; regular \$25.00; special to-morrow. \$15.00

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Reductions from \$3.00 to \$10.00

A week of price advantages. All our Pattern Hats have been relegated to a sale. They have fulfilled their purpose—have helped to make us famous for Beauty Hats—and now we are ready to sacrifice them. The reductions range from \$3.00 to \$10.00.

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The arrival of several new models of Imported Parisian Beaver Hats has provided new inspirations for our milliners. These Hats will be shown this week. The styles, shapes, the treatment, are different from any you have seen before.

News from the "Best" Children's Store

(THIRD FLOOR)

Whether the need is for a Smart and Sensible School Frock or a Jaunty and Dressy Fall Suit, you will find these new gatherings in very broad assortment. Good service, fine style and values can be found here. Just a hint for to-morrow's special outfitting time:

COAT AT \$7.50—English Piccadilly Three-quarter Reefers, in green and black invisible plaid, in brown mixed chevrons, velvet collars, good sateen lining; 6 to 14 years.

COAT AT \$5.00—Children's Long Coats, in green, brown and red, handsomely trimmed in black braid and small brass buttons; sizes 6 to 14.

SUIT AT \$10.00—Misses' Three-Piece Suit, in green and brown fancy stripe chevrons; in sizes from 8 to 14 years; very serviceable garment.

JUMPER DRESS AT \$12.50—Misses' One-Piece Jumper Dress of blue and green mixed chevron, trimmed with green silk bands and buttons, full plaited skirt, with fold; similar style black and white plaid.

CHILDREN'S MILLINERY

For school and dress wear, shown in large variety. As the season advances we are offering better opportunities, for instance, all our Sailor and Mexican effects in Hats, trimmed in bands, braids and streamers, reduced from \$1.45; special to-morrow, 95c.

Good Values in Children's, Misses' and Women's Sweaters

Our Knit Garment Section never presented such a large and attractive display as this season. If you care to be comfortable and proof against chills, you cannot be without one. Excellent wear for outdoor sport.

AT \$1.98—Sweater Coats, with pockets, in garnet, gray white and gray, with white trimmings, V neck, plain and fancy stitch.

AT \$2.98—Ladies' Sweater Coats, with pockets, fancy stitch, V neck, in plain white and garnet; others with turnover collars and combination trimming of contrasting colors; others in cutaway effects at \$3.98.

AT \$1.38—Misses' Sweater Coat, fancy stitch, V neck, two pockets, in white and garnet.

AT \$1.25—Children's Wool Sweaters, in white and red; slip over head style; fastened at shoulder.



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Museum Wednesday, the 28th, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Bowers-Walsh.
Mr. and Mrs. Marcellus A. Walsh announce the engagement of their daughter, Eva May, to Mr. Robert Hill Bowers, the wedding to be celebrated in honor of Miss Martin. Four tables played. Lovely decorations were in American Beauty roses.

To Meet Wednesday.
The Confederate Memorial Literary Society will meet in the Confederate

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